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1. WE HAVE READ AND CONSIDERED POINTS RAISED REFTELS. AL-
THOUGH THERE HAVE BEEN PREVIOUS SURVEYS OF THE AFRICAN REF-
UGEE SITUATION, WE NEED TO DEFINE OUR BUDGET REQUIREMENTS
FOR FY79, 80, AND 81 WITH GREATER PRECISION THAN WE NOW CAN
IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO JUSTIFY OUR UPCOMING REQUESTS TO CON-
GRESS FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS AND MORE FLEXIBLE MEANS TO RE-
SPOND TO THE PROBLEM. WE ARE CONCERNED, AS YOU ARE, THAT

WE AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY SHOULD DO MORE TO RELIEVE THE WORSENING PLIGHT OF THE REFUGEES. CLEARLY, PRESENT FUNDING AVAILABILITIES AND CUMBERSOME BUREAUCRATIC PROCEDURES UNDER WHICH WE ARE NOW CONSTRAINED TO OPERATE ARE INADEQUATE. THE REQUIREMENTS MISSION IS TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE ACTION PROGRAM TO PERMIT US ALL TO GET ON WITH THE TASK AS RESPONSIVELY AS POSSIBLE.

2. YOUR PERSONAL ATTENTION AND SUPPORT OF THE TEAM'S WORK IS IMPORTANT TO OUR UPCOMING INITIATIVES WITH THE CONGRESS REGARDING INCREASED ASSISTANCE. YOUR SPECIFIC PROGRAM/ BUDGET IDEAS AND PROPOSALS COVERING THE 1979-1981 PERIOD ARE ENCOURAGED. IF IT IS POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO DEVELOP THESE IN ADVANCE OF THE TEAM'S VISIT IT WILL HELP FACILITATE DISCUSSIONS AND MINIMIZE DUPLICATION OF EFFORT. ALSO IF YOUR PROPOSALS CAN BE DEVELOPED IN TIME FOR THE TEAM'S MEETINGS WITH UNHCR ON JUNE 15-16 THEY CAN REVIEW THOSE WITH THE UNHCR AS YOU WISH.

3. RECOGNIZE ITINERARY MAY BE IN SOME CASES LESS THAN IDEAL BUT WE ARE WORKING UNDER TIGHT DEADLINES AND MUST PROCEED AS SCHEDULED. YOUR BEST EFFORTS TO SUPPORT AND ASSIST TEAM DURING THEIR VISITS ARE REQUESTED. VANCE

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